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DECISION ON

PETITION UNDER

37 CFR 1.137(b)

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In re Application of

Whitely

2002.

Application No.: 10/088,256

PCT No.: PCT/US01/11487

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Attorney Docket No.: 19859-502 NATL

For: Compositions And Methods For

Detection Of Von Willebrand's Disease

This is a decision on applicant's petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed on 15 March

BACKGROUND

This international application was filed on 7 April 2001 and claimed an earlier priority date of 7 April 2000. No Demand electing the United States was filed prior to the elapse of 19 months from the priority date. Consequently, the twenty period for payment of the basic national fee in the United States expired as of midnight on 7 December 2001. This international application became abandoned with respect to the United States for failure to timely pay the required basic national fee.

Applicants filed the instant petition on 15 March 2002.

DISCUSSION

A grantable petition to revive an abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20 (d)) required pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section.

Regarding requirement (1), the petition is accompanied by the required reply in the form of the required basic national fee.

Regarding requirement (2), the petition is accompanied by the petition fee.

Regarding requirement (3), the petition includes an appropriate statement.

Regarding requirement (4), no terminal disclaimer is required because the international filing date of this application is later than 8 June 1995.

DECISION

The petition to revive the application abandoned under 35 U.S.C. 371(d) is **GRANTED** as to the national stage in the United States of America.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing. The date of this application under 35 U.S.C. 371 is **15 March 2002**.

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